

## Church News

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last week of Rev. Dr. Dunbar H. Ogden, of Atlanta, who, according to appointment, has been conducting a service every night in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. He has been speaking to a full house each time and has attracted everybody more and more as the evenings pass.

At morning prayers, of which he has had charge, in five or ten-minute talks he has made forceful appeals to the students to lead clean, upright, honest, noble lives. Tuesday morning his text was the third commandment, and the theme the sin and folly of profanity. Wednesday the text was: "The pure in heart shall see God." The topic being personal purity. Thursday the selection from scripture was: "Provide things honest in the sight of all men." The subject discussed was the sin of gambling. Friday morning the Bible verse was: "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." The word of exhortation was for a life of temperance. In all of these brief meetings Dr. Ogden has spoken in a tactful and persuasive way that takes his message straight to the heart and conscience, while at the same time the appeal to the intellect is no less strong and cogent.

### OKLAHOMA.

**Manitou:** The Ladies' Aid Society entertained on the evening of October 23, with the congregations of the Christian, Southern Methodist and Presbyterian Churches in farewell to Rev. J. M. Kelly and family on their departure for Shattuck, their new field of labor, and in welcome to Rev. A. M. Forgey who takes up the work here. These three congregations use the house of worship belonging to the Christian Church, and are like one people in the pastorate. Even though it seems that one has taken up a burden when home and relatives are left behind for the mission field the realization finally comes that home is where one makes it and the Christian is at home anywhere with God's people.

### TENNESSEE.

**Memphis:** At the quarterly communion the pastor, Rev. L. E. McNair announced the names of eleven members recently received. Five additional officers have been elected.

**Madison:** On Sunday morning, October 10, Rev. B. H. Franklin was installed pastor of this church and in the afternoon at Hendersonville.

**West Nashville:** Rev. C. O'N. Martindale and family removed from Brownsville, to Nashville, September 20. On October 24, Mr. Martindale was formally installed pastor of this church. Rev. William M. Anderson, D. D., preaching the sermon on "Effectual Intercessory Prayer"; presiding and propounding the constitutional questions; Rev. G. O. Bachman, D. D., charging the pastor; and Rev. C. R. Nisbet the people; Captain M. S. Cockrile, ruling elder completing the

commission of Nashville Presbytery. This church is now working for a new house of worship, its Sunday school taxing the utmost capacity of the present building. The pastor also fills the chair of Sunday school Pedagogy, Mission and Sociology in the Presbyterian Bible Training school. The addresses at the installation were of an interesting and edifying order. To God we look for guidance and blessings.

### TEXAS.

**Gainesville:** At the quarterly communion the first Sunday in October the pastor announced the names of two persons received during the past quarter, one by letter and one by profession of faith. Rally day showed an attendance of eighty-seven and a collection of \$6.97 for Sunday school missions.

**Texarkana:** The Texarkana Church has extended a unanimous call to Rev. Dr. W. Irving Carroll, recently of the Congregational Church in Dallas, to fill the vacancy caused by the recent resignation of Rev. G. M. Mathis.

**Roanoke:** Rev. Jno. V. McCall, of Gainesville, assisted Rev. Geo. C. Moore in a nine days' meeting at this point in September. There has been an unusual degree of interest in religious things in this village during the past summer, and these meetings were greatly blessed of God. Dr. T. S. Clyce, president of Austin College, spent one day in the meeting and gave two fine expositions of gospel truth. The people of the community attended in large numbers and sixteen persons were added to the church, seven of these by profession of faith in Christ. The little band here is much strengthened and encouraged in its work of faith and labor of love. The congregation was exceedingly generous in its treatment of the visiting minister.

**Calaveras:** On the evening of September 17, the Rev. M. W. Doggett, D. D., the Evangelist of the Presbytery of Western Texas, in company with the Rev. Baxter Greer, D. D., the pastor of the Pine Street Presbyterian Church, San Antonio, drove from San Antonio twelve miles into the country where a splendid gathering of citizens of the neighborhood had assembled for an evening service. At the close of the sermon which was preached by Dr. Doggett, Mr. Greer read the names of a list of petitioners asking for the organization of a Presbyterian Church. Following which the church was regularly constituted. Mr. H. P. Russell was elected, ordained and installed a ruling elder. Mr. James Downman was elected, ordained and installed a deacon. This is the only church organization in that neighborhood. The prospect for future growth is excellent. Mr. Greer will supply them with week-night preaching once a month.

**Synod of Texas:** The railroads of Texas have granted the usual convention rates to the Synod of Texas, available not only to the members of the Synod, but to all parties who wish to visit west Texas. Date of sales are November 16 and 17 and with final limit November 27, 1909.

With reference to sleeper accommoda-

tions to the Synod, the Santa Fe Railroad has arranged for the following extra sleepers: One tourist sleeper to leave Galveston 6:45 p. m., November 16. This sleeper will accommodate all parties reaching our lines at any point south of Temple. From San Antonio the I. & G. N. Railroad will operate a sleeper on their train No. 6, leaving San Antonio at 7:45 p. m., November 16, running through to San Angelo. From Fort Worth we have a regular sleeper, leaving that point at 8:45 p. m., November 16, and in addition to the regular sleeper, will have an extra tourist sleeper. All these sleepers will go into San Angelo on our train No. 77, arriving at San Angelo, November 17, 2:10 p. m. Arrangements will be made at San Angelo for return sleepers. In view of these splendid arrangements no effort will be made to run sleepers on any other road. Secure berths from your nearest Santa Fe agent. Fare about \$1.25.

J. D. Leslie, Stated Clerk.

**Houston:** First Church, W. States Jacobs, D. D., pastor. When the present pastorate began, about three and a half years ago, the congregations were quite small, and not much interest was manifest. Now the membership has about doubled, about nine hundred members being on the roll. The congregations are about all the building can comfortably accommodate. The building is one of the largest and finest in the city. About \$4,000 has recently been spent on the interior decoration. The church has established a mission in Oaklawn addition, and has undertaken the support of a City Missionary. As to increase, twenty names were reported as received on confession of faith, since the last communion, and ten by letter. About 400 have been received on confession during the period of the present pastorate and the present rate of increase is about one hundred a year, not to mention those received by letter. Five lawyers have been received on confession in the last five weeks, a rather notable fact.

**Notes from the Presbytery of Western Texas:** The report of the Rev. M. W. Doggett, the Evangelist of the Presbytery of Western Texas, made to the Presbytery in session at Goliad last week, showed that from the fifteenth of September to the fifteenth of October, three new churches had been organized, with a total membership of forty-nine, two separate congregations visited and congregational matters attended to, the Home Mission cause presented to one of the leading churches, a nine days' meeting held, and thirty sermons preached.

The evangelist named twelve towns that have organizations but recently effected. Nine are ready for organization. Work is being done at all these points. How can the preacher succeed without a house in which to do business? Six or eight other points in this Presbytery and all important points, are ready for us to enter. What is true of the Presbytery of Western Texas is true of the Presbytery of Dallas, and all that great stretch of country lying between these two Presbyteries, an area of country as large as one-half the Southern Presby-